REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of Entry in Register:	11 May 1995
Name of Applicant/Court:	The Film and Video Labelling Body Inc.
Applicant to the Labelling Body:	Video Wholesalers Ltd
Title of Publication:	The Voyeur
Other Known Titles:	Not Stated
Director:	John Leslie
Producer:	John Leslie
Publisher:	Not Applicable
Author:	Not Applicable
Medium:	Video Recording
Format:	VHS/PAL
Country of Origin:	USA
Language:	English

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Components of film originally examined:

Feature:	The Voyeur	Running time:	126:11
Trailers:	Safe Sex Notice	Running time:	000:43
	Copyright Notice		000:06
	Proof of Age Notice		000:06
	Dog Walker		004:08
	"Available Now!! At Video Stores Everywhere Now!!" Notice		000:08
	The Dinner Party		002:30
	Elements of Desire		002:02
		Total Running Time:	135:54

Excision/Alteration: Yes.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Excision 1.

Remove all depictions throughout the main feature of a man filming explicit sexual activity through windows and doors. Under s30(1)(a) of the Summary Offences Act 1981, “peeping or peering into a dwelling house” at night without reasonable excuse, is a criminal offence. Therefore, in accordance with s3(3)(d) of the Films, Videos and Publications Classification Act 1993, it is considered that these depictions promote or encourage a criminal act in a manner that renders the availability of the recording injurious to the public good.

Excision 2. 104:30 - 129:40

Remove the final scene in its entirety involving the depiction of a woman engaging in explicit sexual activity with four men. Set in a ‘bar’ with several onlookers, the woman is shown to proceed with painful sexual intercourse despite showing obvious signs of discomfort. Under s3(3)(d) of the Films, Videos and Publications Classification Act 1993, it is considered that this scene depicts sexual conduct of a degrading and demeaning nature in a manner that renders the availability of the recording injurious to the public good.

Approved components of film after excision:

Feature:	The Voyeur	Running time:	091:39
Trailers:	Safe Sex Notice	Running time:	000:43
	Copyright Notice		000:05
	Proof of Age Notice		000:05
	Dog Walker		004:07
	“Available Now!! At Video Stores Everywhere Now!!” Notice		000:09
	The Dinner Party		002:30
	Elements of Desire		002:01
		Total Running Time:	101:19

Classification Decision:

Objectionable except if the availability of the film is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 18 years.

Display conditions:

Section 27

on film

The film must be publicly displayed only in premises set aside for the public display of restricted publications (whether or not articles other than restricted publications are also displayed in those premises).

on poster

Any film poster relating to the film (whether or not the poster is attached to the cassette, case, or other container in which the film is kept) must be publicly displayed only in premises set aside for the public display of restricted publications (whether or not articles other than restricted publications are also displayed in those premises).

Descriptive Note:

Contains explicit sex scenes.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on: 11 May 1995

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

Not Applicable.

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